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Dear Mr. President:

You were most gracious and thoughtful to write to me on the occasion of the Donovan Award, which took place last Saturday night, May 22nd at the Saint Francis Hotel in San Francisco. Your kind remarks were overwhelming and overgenerous. But, nevertheless, I enjoyed them and also was pleased to have the letter read at the dinner, with so many of our mutual friends in attendance.

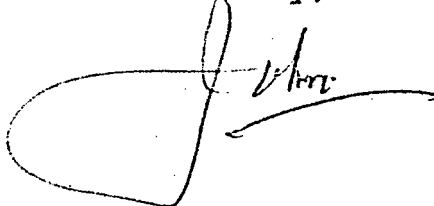
I have not had an opportunity to see you and visit with you since your Inauguration. But I have been in touch with many of your able assistants, particularly Bill Casey, who I believe is doing a fine job revitalizing CIA and the entire Intelligence Community.

I have not sought an opportunity to call on you, as I know only too well of your busy schedule and crowded calendar. Nevertheless, I am hopeful for an opportunity in the near future, if for no other reason than to express confidence in your program and to urge that you stay with it without serious compromise.

I am sure that you know that I stand ready to be helpful in any way that I can and at such time as called upon by you or your associates.

Again, Mr. President, I thank you warmly for your letter.

Sincerely,



The President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

bcc: William Casey ✓